

Ch/G Staff Meeting
5 May 1959
ACTION REQUIRED

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Action Required of Ch/G</u>	<u>Action Required of Divisions</u>
1		None
2		Chiefs, D/CG and D/GL to make objective study and meet with Chief/G at 10:30 on Tuesday, 12 May 1959.
3		None
4		None
5		GRA personnel encouraged to write articles for "Studies in Intelligence".
6		Chief, D/GL, ^{25X1A6a} to send previous request from [] for unclassified Town Plans to Ch/G.
7		CKV meeting on 8 May at 2:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH AREA STAFF MEETING, 5 MAY 1959

PRESENT: Messrs. [REDACTED]

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1. Planning Paper for FY 1960

In connection with the Planning Paper for FY 1960, St/A has asked that GRA submit any contemplated changes in personnel strength which would have to be included in the Paper. This was discussed, and it was agreed that there seemed to be no need to indicate change in present staffing at this time.

2. D/GL Need for Assistance

Chief/G reported that Chief, D/GL, has expressed an extreme need for additional help in his division's program for the procurement of Sino-Soviet Bloc maps. Mr. [REDACTED] feels that this is one of the most important tasks that D/GL will ever have, and would like to be able to follow as many as possible of the promising leads being uncovered. This was discussed, and it was suggested that perhaps some help can be found in the Area, at least until such time as individuals now in the pipeline are brought on board and broken into the job (probably about 6 months). Mr. [REDACTED] asked that Chiefs, D/GG, and D/GL make as objective a study of the situation as possible, and write up for him what they consider to be the immediate and long-range benefits (or harmful effects) which would result from a reassignment arrangement. Messrs. [REDACTED] will meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, 12 May 1959, to discuss this matter.

3. Discussion with [REDACTED]

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Chief/G reported he had met with [REDACTED] at the latter's request, to discuss Ch/G's comments on the latest draft of the exchange of geographers proposal. Mr. [REDACTED] explained to Mr. [REDACTED] that his position was based entirely on consideration of the net intelligence value to be derived, in view of the importance to the intelligence community of the procurement of Soviet topographic maps. It is believed that Mr. [REDACTED] went away with a better appreciation and understanding of the intelligence point of view. Mr. [REDACTED] also discussed Mr. [REDACTED] requirements for maps from D/GG, and his desire and need for attendance at the Surveyors' Conference which is to be held in London in August 1959.

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4. Meeting with Colonel Hopkins

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Chief/G reported on a meeting he had with [REDACTED] who is soon to retire from his position of Chief, War Plans Division, DD/P.

5. Studies in Intelligence

Chief/G has discussed with members of the editorial board of "Studies in Intelligence" the contribution of articles for publication in that periodical. It is suggested that Geographic Area personnel plan to write articles on their particular activity or interest (i.e., Cartography, Mapping Intelligence, Geographic Intelligence).

6. Request from [REDACTED] for Town Plans 25X1A6a

Chief, D/GI, showed Chief/G a request he had received from [REDACTED] for unclassified Town Plans. There is previous correspondence on this matter, which Mr. [REDACTED] indicated he would send to Mr. [REDACTED] for information.

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7. Competitive Evaluation Panel

Chief, D/GG, reported he had scheduled a meeting of the CEP for 8 May at 2:00.